

# PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PCT BRANCH

In re Application of: Thomas John Gonda

Group Art Unit: 1386/21

**Serial No.: 10/550,533**

Examiner: Sisson, Bradley L.

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For: METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES  
ASSOCIATED WITH ANGIOGENESIS

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated March 20, 2008 for which a shortened statutory period for reply has been extended up to and including July 21, 2008, since July 20, 2008 is a Sunday. A petition for a three (3)-month Extension of Time is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$525.00 along with any other fees associated with the filing of this Response, and to credit any over payment to, Deposit Account Number 50-0426. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment, Election and Remarks.